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SUBJECT: NKOMO VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA

1. WHILE IN FOREIGN OFFICE THIS MORNING, I TOOK OCCASION TO INQUIRE WHETHER UNDER SECRETARY POLITICAL AFFAIRS KNEW OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH NKOMO. MANSOURI SAID HE HAD NEWS THAT THEY WERE IN CAIRO AND THAT THE SAUDI EMBASSY IS IN TOUCH WITH THEM THERE, BUT TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE THEY HAD NOT YET APPLIED FOR VISAS THOUGH THEY SEEMED LIKELY TO DO THAT SOON. HE ASKED IF I HAD ANY INFORMATION. I SAID NOTHING MORE THAN HE HAD INDICATED, AND THAT I WAS INQUIRING MERELY AS MATTER OF FRIENDLY INTEREST. HE SAID SAUDI GOVT UNDERSTANDS OUR INTEREST IS SIMPLY TO BE HELPFUL TO NKOMO AS A MODERATE AFRICAN. I SAID THAT WAS CORRECT.

2. DEPT PLEASE PASS CAIRO AND TEHRAN.
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